

## Poetry.

## KISS THEM GOOD NIGHT.

The tales are told, the songs are sung,  
The evening romp is over,  
And up the nursery stairs they climb,  
With little buzzing tongues that chime  
Like bees among the clover.

Their busy brains and happy hearts  
Are full of crowding fancies;  
From song and tale and make-believe  
A wondrous web of dreams they weave  
And airy child romances.

The starry night is fair without;  
The new moon rises slowly,  
The nursery lamp is burning faint;  
Each white-robed like a little saint,  
Their prayers they murmur lowly.

Good-night! The tired heads are still,  
On pillows soft reposing,  
The dim and dizzy mist of sleep  
About their thoughts begin to creep,  
Their drowsy eyes are closing.

Good-night! While through the silent air  
The moonbeams pale are streaming,  
They drift from daylight's noisy shore,  
"Blow out the light and shut the door,  
And leave them to their dreaming."

## Household.

## CARAMEL CAKES.

Three cups of sugar,  $\frac{1}{2}$  cups butter, one cup milk,  $\frac{1}{2}$  cups flour, five eggs, small teaspoonful soda, two teaspoonfuls cream tartar. Bake in layers.

## CHILI SAUCE.

Nine ripe tomatoes, two cups vinegar, three small peppers, one onion, chopped fine. Boil one hour, adding two teaspoonfuls salt, one of ginger, allspice, cloves and cinnamon. Very nice.

## BANANA CREAM.

After peeling the bananas mash them with an iron or wooden spoon; allow equal quantities of bananas and sweet cream; to one quart of the mixture allow one-quarter of a pound of sugar. Beat them all together until the cream is light.

## APPLE SAUCE.

Stew slowly, with a little water, three quarts of apples till soft; then add one teaspoonful of salt, one full coffee cup of sugar, a piece of butter the size of an egg and the grated rind and juice of two lemons. Stir well, cover and stew slowly a long time, till of a deep red color.

## LEMON SYRUP.

Squeeze the lemons, straining carefully so that no pulp remains. To one pint of the juice add two pounds of sugar; set away until completely dissolved, stirring occasionally, and then bottle it. One or two teaspoonfuls of this syrup in a glass of water makes good lemonade.

## CANNING SWEET CORN.

One quart of water to three quarts of corn. Let the corn come to a boil. Add one teaspoonful of tartaric acid to each quart of corn. Boil fifteen minutes. When wanted for use, add one teaspoonful of soda to each quart of corn; let stand one hour before cooking.

## BROWN BETTY.

Cut into thin slices several large apples; have ready a buttered pudding-dish; put into this a layer of grated bread crumbs; then a layer of sliced apples; over this sprinkle sugar, and so on alternately—bread apples and sugar—until the pudding-dish is full, letting the top layer be apples.

## COLD SLAW.

Chop half head cabbage, leave in bowl for dressing. Take one egg, a small teaspoonful of mustard, same of sugar, three teaspoonfuls melted butter or oil, and beat all together, then add one-half cup vinegar, put in spider and boil, then pour on cabbage, salt and lastly add some sweet cream. For lettuce, add a little corn starch to thicken.

## APPLE PUDDING.

A new way to make apple pudding is to make a batter of flour, sweet milk and one egg, with baking powder, in proper proportion; pare and core six tart apples, stew them in a very little water until they are quite soft, then beat the apples into the batter. This is to be baked in a buttered earthen pie plate; it should be a deep plate; this is to be eaten with cream, or if cream is an impossibility use butter instead.

## CINNAMON TARTS.

Rub eight ounces of butter and a pound of bad sugar to a cream, add the yolks of three eggs and the whites of two, and stir in a pound of flour. Roll the mixture thin, and cut it into squares, rubbing them with the white of an egg, and sprinkling with cinnamon and sugar before putting into the oven.

## SUPERIOR BREAD PUDDING.

Soak the soft part of a baker's loaf in a pint of warm milk; add a tablespoonful of soft butter, a tablespoonful of thick cream, the rind and a part of the juice of a lemon and two well beaten eggs. Flour a large cupful of dried currants, grate nutmeg over them and add the rest. Bake in well buttered custard cups and serve with pudding sauce, either hard or liquid.

## VEGETABLE BROTH.

Scrape and slice three turnips and three carrots, and peel three onions, and fry all with a little butter until a light yellow; add a bunch of celery and three or four leeks cut in pieces; stir and fry six minutes; when fried add one clove of garlic, two stalks of parsley, two cloves, salt pepper and a little grated nutmeg; cover with three quarts of water and simmer for three hours, taking off the scum carefully. Strain and use. Croutons, vermicelli, Italian pastes or rice may be added.

## TOMATO SOUP.

An excellent tomato soup is made in this way. It is so simple, and requires so little skill in its preparation, that it will prove acceptable to many. One quart of stewed tomatoes, strained so that no seeds remain; add a generous quart of boiling milk; put a piece of butter, the size of an egg, in the tureen; add salt and pepper to taste. Pour over this the boiling milk, then add the strained tomatoes; mix thoroughly and quickly and serve.

## COCONUT LAYER CAKE.

One-half cup of butter, two cups of sugar, one cup of milk, three or four cups of flour, three or four spoonfuls of baking powder and the whites of three eggs; bake in jelly-cake pans. For the filling, one grated coconut, three-quarters of a pound of sugar and the whites of three eggs; beat the whites of the eggs to a stiff froth; then beat in the sugar; put this between the cakes; sprinkle a thick layer of coconut over each, cover the top and sides with the coconut and icing.

## WHY THE BABY CRIES.

The young bachelor who volunteered an opinion as to the reason for a baby's smile, and the summary justice which he received at the hands of the baby's nurse, are well known, but why the baby cries is a matter as to which few men have any curiosity, provided it is not too late to have an engagement down town when the concert begins. The "Mother's Manual of Children's Diseases" explains the matter thus: "Cries are the only language which a young baby has to express its distress, as smiles and laughter and merry antics tell without a word its gladness. The baby must be ill, is all that its cries tell one person; another, who has seen much of sick children, will gather from them more and will be able to judge whether its suffering is in the head, chest or stomach. The cries of a baby with the stomach-ache are loud, long and passionate; it sheds a profusion of tears; now stops for a moment, and then begins again, drawing up its legs toward its stomach; and, as the pain passes off, stretches them out again, and with many little sobs passes off in a quiet sleep. If it has inflammation of the chest it does not cry aloud, it sheds no tears, but every few minutes, especially after drawing a deeper breath than before or after each short, hacking cough, it gives a little cry, which it checks, apparently, before it is half finished and this, either because it has no breath to waste in cries, or because the effort makes its breathing more painful. If the disease is going on in the head, the child utters sharp, piercing shrieks, and then between whines a low moan or wail, or perhaps no sound at all, but lies quiet, apparently dozing till pain wakes it up again.

The land that will maintain twenty common-bred cows will maintain twenty well bred ones, and the annual profit from the latter will be considerably more than from the former.

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